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ADHESIVELY-BONDED DOUBLY-SECURED INSULATED GLAZING UNIT

Gluing glazing panels on the outside of frames has numerous advantages: the absence of thermal bridges, greater cutting tolerances, esthetics.

The gluing technique in known system has the drawback of being completely dependent upon only one adhesively bonded surface. Moreover, in addition to being glued to one single surface of the glazing unit, these systems comprise mechanical fasteners on the frame, which detract from the esthetic appearance.

The present invention allows the glazing unit to be doubly-secured and the mechanical fasteners will be eliminated from insulating glazing unit which comprises:

- a section *A* having a re-entering angle the panel from the outside surface of the frame forms a recess *B*;
- a double glazing unit comprising two window panes *C1* and *C2*, with the outside window pane *C1* having the outside dimensions of the frame which is made up of section *A*, with the inside glazing panel *C2* having smaller dimensions than those of glazing panel *C1*, and this allows the same to be embedded in the surface delimited by the recess

B of the frame, which is made of section *A*, and with the depth of this recess being equal to the sum of the thickness of the inside wall *C2* of the double glazing unit, and with the thickness of the separating joint *E2* arranged between the two double-glazing panes and connecting the latter together by adhesive bonding.

- Three gluing joints situated, respectively, between the outside window pane *C1* and the outside face *D1* of the frame; between the outside window pane *C1* and the inside window pane *C2*; between the inside window pane *C2* and the face *D2* of the frame at the bottom of the recess, with the joints being *E1*, *E2*, *E3*.

The operation of this type of system ensures that it is doubly secured as desired: in case of breakage of *E1*, the entire assembly is supported by *E2* and *E3*. In case of breakage of *E2*, support of *C1* is ensured by *E1*, and that of *C2* by *E2*. In case of breakage of *E3*, the support of *C1* and *C2* is ensured by *E1*.

This doubly-secured arrangement allows mechanical fasteners to be eliminated because failure of one of the three adhesive bonds will not cause failure of the entire assembly or one of the elements of the glazing unit.

CLAIMS

1. Double insulating glued glazing unit which ensures secure attachment in case of total failure of the adhesive on one of the adhesive planes, characterized in that each window pane is directly glued to the frame, with the window panes being connected to one another by adhesive bonding.

2. System as defined in Claim 1, characterized in that the dimension of the inside window pane is smaller than that of the outside window pane.

3. System as defined in Claims 1 and 2, characterized in that the section comprising the frame is provided with a recess, which allows the inside window pane to be embedded in the volume of the chassis.

4. System as defined in Claim 3, characterized in that the depth of the recess is equal to the thickness of the inside wall of the double glazing unit increased by the thickness of the separating joint arranged between the two window panes.

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